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SUBJ: HUDSON INSTITUTE STUDY ON QUEBEC

1. MONTREAL OFFICE OF HERMAN KAHN'S HUDSON INSTITUTE HAS ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL BEGIN A NINE-MONTH, DOLS 100,000 STUDY OF QUEBEC'S FUTURE. STUDY WILL LOOK AT DIFFERENT SCENARIOS FOR SEPARATION AS WELL AS VARIOUS SCENARIOS IF SEPARATION DOES NOT OCCUR.

2. SPOKESMAN FOR MONTREAL OFFICE SAID STUDY IS BEING FINANCED BY TEN CANADIAN COMPANIES, NONE OF WHICH ARE BRANCHES OF U.S. FIRMS. IT WILL BE CARRIED OUT BY RESEARCHERS BASED IN MONTREAL AREA, NOT FROM U.S. MR. KAHN WILL PLAY AN "OBLIQUE ROLE" IN STUDY ACCORDING TO MONTREAL OFFICE.

3. COMMENT: IN REPORTING STUDY, MONTREAL STAR REFERRED TO MR. KAHN'S PAST PROJECTS, INCLUDING PROPOSAL TO IMPORT 40,000 KOREAN WORKERS TO DEVELOP ATHABASKA TAR SANDS, AND STATEMENT IN 1975 BY MONTREAL OFFICE THAT OLYMPICS WOULD BE A BONANZA TO CANADA BY ADDING DOLS 2.2 BILLION TO ECONOMY AFTER DEFICITS WERE DEDUCTED.

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4. HUDSON INSTITUTE STUDY JOINS GROWING LIST OF STUDIES ON QUEBEC, INCLUDING PROVINCIAL-FEDERAL STUDIES ON ACCOUNTS, TWO-YEAR PROGRAM BEGUN BY C.D. HOWE INSTITUTE, AND NUMBER OF STUDIES BEGUN BY BANKS ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF QUEBEC SITUATION.
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